

THE DOTHAN EAGLE

Dothan's Population: 1890, 247; 1900, 3,275; 1910, 7,016; 1920, 20,000. "For I Heard Them Say Let us go to Dothan."

DOTHAN, ALABAMA, WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 18TH, 1911

NUMBER 268

DAMAGING FIRE SWEEPS DOTHON BUSINESS BLOCK

Loss Will Probably Reach \$150,000 With Less Than Half Insured. Heroic Work Of Firemen and Volunteers Save Business Section From Total Loss. Origin Unknown.

MARIA MORNING BLAZE DESTROYS THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF PROPERTY. FIRE STARTED IN REAR OF DOTHON MULE COMPANY'S STABLE AND QUICKLY SPREAD TO HENDERSON & ADAMS, AND DOTHON UNDERTAKING CO., MALONE FURNITURE CO., AND TO O. P. GREEN'S STORE. FIRE COMPANY HAD HARD JOB TO KEEP ENTIRE BLOCK FROM BURNING

Fire Was Discovered About 3 O'CLOCK this Morning—Greatest Fire Loss Dothan Has Sustained in Twenty Years, With Probable Exception of Cotton Fire of Few Years ago.

Fire broke out at three o'clock this morning in the rear of Dothon Mule Company and resulted in \$15,000 worth of damage to the business district of the city. It is not known how the fire started, but from the surrounding conditions it is thought it first caught from a car load of hay in the rear of the Dothon Mule Company.

The fire was discovered only after it had made a good headway, by a negro who was cleaning the paint section of the city, about three o'clock this morning. The fire department was called out and the fire was found to be of a serious nature. Streams of water were put on the building at once but the fire kept gadding, finally involving buildings on Foster Street.

The Dothon Mule Company was completely destroyed. The building was the greatest loss, while a horse that was in the stables at the time was cremated. His value is placed at \$175. A mule was also in the stables and it also was burned to death, at a loss of \$75. A carload of coal, which was stored in the stable, was destroyed while two new wagons together with about six older ones were destroyed. Other stock was in the building that of hogs and chickens, but it is thought all these escaped. Insurance was carried on this property to the extent of \$6,000, while the loss is estimated at approximately \$15,000.

Dr. W. H. Williams, who had an office in the building, also suffered a great loss, in that all his ledger accounts for the past several years were destroyed with the building.

Surgical instruments, the property of Dr. Williams, were also stored in the office and they were a total loss. No insurance was carried by Dr. Williams, making the burned property a total loss.

After sweeping the Dothon Mule Company, the fire spread to the store of Henderson & Adams, dry goods and millinery firm on North Foster street. Starting in the rear, the fire made a clean sweep of the building, destroying the whole stock of goods as well as the building which was the property of J. L. Wise. The stock of goods is valued at \$8,000, while \$22,000 in insurance was carried, thus decreasing the loss to a great extent. The building was insured by Mr. Wise for \$4,000 while the value is placed at \$15,000.

The office of J. L. Wise, which was located above Henderson & Adams, was also burned and important papers and documents were destroyed. The office was insured together with the building and will not be a total loss to Mr. Wise. He stated that most of his records were in a safe and were not

The fixtures of the Acme Barber Shop were taken out, as it looked almost entirely destroying his entire stock of clothing and men's furnishings. The rear part of the shop were taken out, as it looked as if this building, and the Dothon National Bank, would both burn.

along with the small store occupied by the United Woolen Co., but the damage to these buildings was slight.

The fire this morning will put a hitch in the business of Dothon to some time, but it is generally conceded that all the damaged buildings will be rebuilt at once. This is Dothan's way of doing things and nothing from the past or old racing buildings will not be out before the end of the year for any long while.

This fire was in the midst of one of Dothan's most prosperous business firms and the result was the same as it would have been if any one building in the business district could be fired.

Volunteers in the Dothan fire gave credit for their work. While there are only four firemen, eight streams were handled. Two were brought to the arena and one stream was placed on the fire by volunteers only. Many lives were put at great risk to check the burning houses, although no one was injured and after breaking great havoc, the blaze was checked.

Two young volunteers, fire fighters Lipsay and Moore Sabine, deserve special commendation for the valuable assistance rendered in fighting the flames. Taking all together probably the fire company did an unusually good job for this at a time looked to be the most critical ever happened in Dothan. It looked like the entire block would be destroyed.

But for quick work in getting

the stock of Saxon Heard Williams Co. that too, would have caught fire. The doors on the second story next to the fire, were open, and the window frames were almost on fire. They were closed, and hence turned on the building, and no damage was done.

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

Tomorrow, June 19th the Second School of the First Baptist Church will have a picnic at Spring Creek on the Atlanta and St. Louis Bay Line, fifteen miles from Dothan.

It is expected that we shall have a great day. The party will leave at 9:05 a.m. on the regular train returning in the afternoon at 7 p.m.

The baskets must be sent to the depot and there a committee will take them in hand caring for them in transportation.

The success of the picnic depends upon the interest the teachers, fathers and mothers manifest in it. The people of the Sunday School are serving a day out and we trust a great day may be had.

WHISKEY CASES AFFIRMED

The Supreme Court yesterday affirmed the rules appealed from by Houston county circuit court against Clarence Conrad and Manuel Young for violation of the prohibitory law. In addition to a fine each of the cases carried a hard labor sentence.

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"BIG TIM'S" MIND A BLANK



BIG TIM SULLIVAN AS HE IS TODAY

New York, June 16.—Thousands of poor on the great East Side are heartbroken over the news that "Big Tim" Sullivan, their benevolent and political leader, has sailed for Europe, a complete wreck. Sullivan mind is blank. He is on his way to the German resort under the close guard of his brother Pitt, and a physician. It is hoped that both treatments will prove a successful remedy for his ailment. One of the intimates of the man who won his popularity by years giving thousands of dollars worth of clothing and food to the poor, declared that Sullivan's sudden collapse was due to worry over the betrayal of wretched friends, who had taken \$700,000 in unreturned notes from him in two years.

STOVALL TO GO TO SWITZERLAND

A FREAK FALL KILLS PAINTER

Washington, June 17.—President Wilson nominated Pleasant A. Royal, of Savannah, Ga., minister to Switzerland, and Thomas Nelson Page, of Virginia, ambassador to Italy today.

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PHILADELPHIA, June 17.—On the anniversary of a forty-foot fall in which he sprained injury, though Walker a palmer, who killed yesterday by falling four feet off a scaffold, and breaking his neck.

During the last fifteen years he

has had several falls of twenty-five

feet escaping injury. The only times that he was injured were when he fell a few feet off the piers

fracturing his skull and when he

tumbled off the fence breaking three

ribs and his jaw.

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APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC

This morning Mrs. Capil McAfee

found a very distressing case, where

a man who has been sick all the

winter and is now out of work, and

his wife is sick with a little

infant. Mrs. McAfee went into the

house this morning and saw the wo-

man eating a little dry crust of

corn bread, which was all she had.

The man said he did not know how

to prepare anything. So we are ap-

pealing to the public in their be-

half for sheets, night dresses and

baby clothes. Any one who will

bestow a gift of anything mentioned

or food will be received thankful-

ly.

Capt. J. W. McAfee,

Phone 191.

SUPREME COURT TODAY GAVE OUT THREE DECISIONS

Atlanta, Ga., June 17.—Under a decision of the Supreme Court to day the state license tax on all products of food products is knocked out and the egg and butter, fruit ice, and other products will be exempt from the \$50 license tax hitherto enacted. The decision is based on two cases from Fulton county in which the point was raised. The court holds, however, that only part of the net is illegal, and does not affect it any other way. Justice Lumpkin and Hill dissent.

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THE WEATHER

Generally fair tonight and Thurs.

O'NEAL MAKES AN INCORRECT ATTACK UPON B. B. COMER

Montgomery, Ala., June 17.—Governor Comer indirectly attacked former Governor B. B. Comer, and endorsed the platform of Charles Henderson, candidate for governor, in a forty-five minutes' speech, devoted chiefly to political issues, which he delivered at Eclectic Monday at the celebration attending the opening of the Birmingham and Southeastern railroad.

Hardly had Governor O'Neal opened, before he touched upon the railroad issues and declared the legislature of Alabama incompetent to make rates. Approving in the main detail this particular plank of Mr. Henderson, the chief executive justified that the rate-making power should be vested in the railroad commission. Otherwise, he maintained, the legislature might be in continuous session on the question of rates. He said that railroads are entitled to just and fair treatment and equal protection of the law, and that they should not be dealt with or threatened in a hostile manner.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1913

IRISH POTATOES, CORN AND SWEET POTATOES

If E. Wilson whose plantation is south east of Dothan, and who makes money growing cotton says he would never plant another crop if ever he could get 26 cents per bushel for sweet potatoes on sale at Dothan. He tried an experiment last year in a few acres in sweet potatoes, and made 2,000 bushels. He says that they require less work than any crop he knows of.

Heretofore, people have grown sweet potatoes like they have corn in this section just enough for home consumption. They never think of shipping any of either.

It has been discovered within the last two or three years, that we can make as much corn to the acre here as can be made anywhere, and corn will sell for a profitable price the year 'round.

Last spring one man came here from Birmingham and bought some sweet potatoes. He will come back again this winter but the chances are he will find but few sweet potatoes. The season has been rather dry, and having made a bumper crop last year, many will not plant this season more than they need for home use. But this is not as it should be. All farmers should plant surplus sweet potatoes, and when considerable quantities are grown, selling arrangements can be had that will insure a good profit.

In all weevil sections, some advise that the farmers not try to raise something that he knows nothing about. We know about corn and sweet potatoes. We know what our lands will produce if planted to them, and even if we make errors, for we are to have a time when this county will likely produce as low as 8,000 bales of cotton instead of over 30,000. That condition will hardly last but two or three years, but it will come, very likely, unless our farmers take advice that others have failed to take, and prepare to fight the hell weevil intelligently.

And notwithstanding the hell weevil is just around the corner, and will be with us next year, we have grocers in Dothan who sold Irish potatoes last year which were grown in Ireland. They could be grown there, in poor land, and shipped across the water to New York, and on to Dothan, to supply people who were too busy raising cotton to plant a dozen rows across a 10 yard lot, thus insuring plenty for local consumption.

Any one can raise Irish potatoes if they will spend a little time keeping the bugs off for a few weeks. They will have to spend much more time picking hell weevils later on and continue to pick them year after year, to keep them in check. It would probably take a little organization between the farmers of Houston county, and the merchants and the business men. They should get together and find a proper plan to market such truck which can be done, and this arrangement should be made in the winter or fall before planting time. It will cost the country a \$1,000,000 dollars to have the cotton crop fall from 30,000 bales to as low as 12,000 bales which is the record in other hell weevil infected districts. This country cannot afford to lose that much money. It isn't in shape to be the way to keep from losing that much is to learn to make something else as a side line, before that time comes.

—Tramp—Yes sir I wanted had a good job managing a hand laundry but it failed on me.

Lady—Poor man! How did it happen to fail?

—Tramp—She left and went home to her folks—Chicago Record-Herald.

Appropriations

Money Question to come

Report from Washington is to the effect that the Democrats are about to split up on the money question. That in the rock which will bring trouble the last time they got in 1908. Valentine (ton) Times

Political Water Modified

The ruling of the supreme court on the Minnesota railroad case may modify the political water to gubernatorial candidates and cause them to review their platforms. Gadsden Evening Journal

To French Ambassador

There was something found out appropriate in the answer given that it has been decided to let agriculture in Alabama to cultural schools. Atlanta Star

Hot Idea

Hinks Hobson Making Mistake If Hobson is not making the most out of his life in going over to study making speeches at the time we do not know a man board of we do it. Nearly every paper over took up in competing his actions with those of Senator Johnson who is in Washington busy with his committee duties. Hobson is just valiant enough to believe that the action of the women and children and a few school teachers is the voice of the people and continues speaking. Huntsville Mercury Banner

Kitty—Isn't It a Most Fortunate Thing?

Beth—What? Kitty That the people can't read the blues that have been printed on a girl's lip. Boston Chamber

—You are getting very bold sir

You yourself are not free from a number of defects that I could mention if I cared to become personal. —Pittsburgh Post

—Mother—Well dear did you meet any one you knew?

The Three Children Who have just returned from their morning walk—Yes Ruby and Derek Mother—Where did you meet them?

Barbara (the youngest) At the same place as we was—Dinner

—Mabelle—What makes the leading lady so grouchy?

Estelle—She had control of making a big life with her divorce case this season and just as she was about to bring it to a conclusion her husband had to go and die.

Mabelle (indignantly)—Now tell that just like a man—Indie

Spreading Rumors

Mr. Wrenly was making a call on the Chicago Tribune. I never take any chance with the hold up men he remarked looking at his watch to see if we pause in the conversation. When I am likely to be out late at night always carry my dollar watch.

Why there's no danger that there is there? smiled his hostess. It's only 8 o'clock and it certainly won't take you more than half an hour to get home!

—Mrs. Doyle How old your husband get along running the inn while you were away?

Mrs. Doyle Well I don't think he will advertise for a position at home on the strength of the record he made—Judge

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Shir Mount Esq.—

The only hired little girl the house came running to her father in the study now Bill Marvine and throwing her arms around his neck whispered softly in his ear.

Oh father, it's running. I was sitting on the floor and I heard him coming. I'm afraid he'll be angry. Well, I'll tell you a secret. I was going to tell him about it.

A part of it was going to tell him about it.

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"FOLLY TO TRY
AND KILL BOLL WEEVIL"
SAYS TEXAN

THURSDAY, JULY 3 1913

A. D. Ussery's Grand Prize Cake-Baking Contest!

Open to all **FREE**, in Dothan, and surrounding vicinity. This contest is put on to demonstrate the merits of **COTTOLENE** and **WHITE CREST FLOUR**. **COTTOLENE**, is a vegetable cooking fat that does away with high price butter in the making of cake. Use butter on your table and **COTTOLENE** in your kitchen.

To get good results, you are required to use 1-3 less **COTTOLENE** than either butter or lard. There's a saving. Do you see? Cakes not earning prizes will be returned. "All cakes entered by number." **We use no names in contest.** Cakes judged on merit, not looks. If you don't want to bake a cake yourself, let the cook bake one. She might win a prize, and look at the fun. No one will know who entered.

"Cakes are to be baked at home."

¶ The Only Restrictions in Contest ¶

Cottolene and white Crest Flour must be used

in the making of all cakes to be entered in the contest. Use **COTTOLENE** like butter only 1-3 less the amount of **Cottolene** being required its so much richer, add a pinch of salt. You can procure any amount of this flour for the making of cakes.

THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, MAKERS OF "COTTOLENE" WILL AWARD TWO MEDALS IN THIS CONTEST.

FIRST PRIZE LOAF CAKE	SECOND PRIZE LOAF CAKE	FIRST PRIZE LAYER CAKE	SECOND PRIZE LAYER CAKE
4-24 lb sacks White Crest Flour.	2-24 lb sacks White Crest Flour.	4-24 lb sacks White Crest Flour.	2-24 lb. sacks White Crest Flour.
1-1 g. can Maxwell House Blend Coffee.	1-Lg can Maxwell House Blend Coffee.	1-Lg. can Maxwell House Blend Coffee.	1---can Lg. Maxwell House Blend Coffee.
1 Small bottle "Lemos" Lemon juice.	1-small bottle "Lemas Lemon Juice.	1-Lg, bottle "Lemas" Lemon Juice.	1---small bottle "Lemis" Lemon Juice.
2-can Hershey's Cocoa.	2-cans Hershey's Cocoa.	2-cans Hershey's Cocoa.	1-can Hershey's Coco.
1-can Royal Scarlet Tea.	1-can Royal Scarlet Tea.	1-can Royal Scarlet Tea.	bottle Royal Scarlet Grape
1-bottle Royal Scarlet Grape Juice.	1-bottle Royal Scarlet Grape Juice.	1-bottle Royal Scarlet Grape Juice.	1 Juice.
1-can Royal Scarlet Pumpkin.	1-can Royal Scarlet Pumpkin.	1-can Royal Scarlet Pumpkin.	1-can Royal Scarlet Tea.
1-can Baby Mackerel in Olive Oil.	1-can Baby Mackerel in Olive Oil.	1---can Baby Mackerel in Olive Oil.	1-bottle Royal Scarlet Pump. kin,
			1-can Baby Mackerel in Olive Oil.

SPECIAL PRIZE BY McCALLUM'S DRUG STORE: One large bottle Palmer's Toilet water for most cakes entered in contest.

Have cakes in A D Ussery's Grocery store, Thursday evening by 8 o'clock, where three disinterested parties will judge. "Cakes will be cut." Plenty of fun, so let everybody come.

A. D. Ussery Grocery Co.

Phone 68 By Chester G. Adcox, Contest Mgr. Dothan, Ala.

Small Tracts of Cotton, interspersed with Other Crops only Solution of Problem—Grow Food Crop His Advice.

By L. G. Biggers

A gentleman from Texas dropped into my office this morning and referred to the articles which have appeared in The Eagle about the boll weevil and the proposition to organize a food preserving company which I have suggested. He claims to have been in the boll weevil district for years and refers to a little town of eight hundred people which had eight vacant business houses the third year of the boll weevil invasion and more than half the residences were vacant at the beginning of the fourth year. The cotton production of the county was cut in three years from 12,000 to 2,000 bales. A few brave souls striving to save the remainder of their property, turned to food crops, dairy products, poultry, eggs, straw berries and grapes and today the bank deposits of the town are four times larger than ever before in the history of the town, the population has run in more than two thousand and the country in four times as thickly settled as during cotton raising times and all the farmers have money in the bank. This condition was brought about by the few brave men who took the lead, made a market for the food crops, supervised the planting and cultivating and harvesting and a reward for their labors for their fellow men they themselves are worth a dozen times more than under cotton growing conditions.

Now, Dothan is approaching just such a crisis. The weevil is already cutting down the yield in many of the western counties of the state and will be in Houston county this fall. Shall we sit supinely down and await our doom, hoping against hope, sparing the experiences of others who have gone through the hell and let our favored section go bankrupt? Or shall we arduous ourselves, make a market for food crops now, start the farmers off with small areas, say an acre each of Irish potato, onions, strawberries, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, figs beans and other vegetables and arrange to have those crops cultivated under right conditions?

Well, some objector, and the name of objectors is legion, will tell us that cotton-eaters were tried and everyone who touched them lost money. Would they buy lost it if they had not tried to flood the market by planting, some instances twenty-five acres to the man and then having them harvested by inexperienced labor? Isn't it more sensible to distribute the risk over a variety of crops and what we happen to lose on one make it up on another. Other sections have found that this is the way to solve the problem and why cannot we take the lesson they have learned and apply it here?

The press says that we are not to have a formal demonstrator this year as our people want a man who knows how to fight the boll weevil. Why not look for a demonstrator who is experienced in growing, harvesting and marketing food crops? Of course it will take two or three years to get things going, but what of that? We yet have time to do this before the pest bankrupts us?

But the objector says again that we must still grow cotton. Well if we must we will, but to still grow cotton we must intensify its culture, make from three to five times as much per acre as we are now making and have only a few acres planted. This is the only successful way to still grow cotton under weevil conditions. Then what shall we do with the remainder of the land we are now planting in cotton? It is wasteful to let it grow up in weeds. Why not plant it to food crops and help lower the price of living?

Cotton is a money crop solely on account of the fact that a market has been needed. If there were no local market and our farmers were forced to consign their crops to brokers and commission merchants in distant cities, they would grow lean cotton and depend on other

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